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SUBJECT: REQUIREMENT FOR SECOND FERRY MISSION USING
NASA AIRCRAFT

REF: STATE 026571

1. REFTTEL DESCRIBED FERRY MISSION IN CONNECTION WITH ON-
GOING SOUNDING ROCKET PROGRAM AT CHURCHILL RANGE. IN
SUBSEQUENT MESSAGE, CARGO MANIFEST CHANGED TO ACCOMMODATE
ROCKET MOTORS AND IGNITERS CARRYING CLASS B EXPLOSIVES.

2. DUE TO CHANGED CARGO MANIFEST ON C-54 AIRCRAFT, SOME
OF THE ORIGINAL BOX CARGO HAD TO BE DISPLACED. PASSENGERS
COULD ALSO NOT BE FLOWN WITH EXPLOSIVES. THESE TWO
CHANGES HAVE NECESSITATED LAST MINUTE NEED FOR SECOND AIR-
CRAFT FERRY MISSION. NASA WOULD LIKE TO FLY THIS SECOND
MISSION NEXT WEEK AS ONLY TIME AVAILABLE FOR AIRCRAFT
SCHEDULING.

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3. PLANNED ITINERARY WOULD BE AS FOLLOWS: (ALL TIMES
ZULU FEBRUARY 1978)

ETA	PLACE	ETD
ORIGINATE	KWAL	22/1100

22/1500	CYQT	22/1630
22/1900	CYYQ (RON)	23/1400
23/2000	KBAL	23/2130
223/2215	KWAL	TERMINATE

4. AIRCRAFT, IS NASA-OWNED AND OPERATED NP-3A; REGISTRY
NUMBER N-428NA; CALL SIGN NASA 428.

5. AIRCRAFT WILL CARRY CREW OF 5 AND 10 PROGRAM PERSONNEL
PLUS 15 BOX SPECIALIZED EQUIPMENT.

6. SUPPORT AT CHURCHILL REQUESTED FOR 4,000 GAL OF
JP-4 FUEL AND ONE NIGHT HANGER SPACE.

7. PILOT WILL FILE INTERNATIONAL FLIGHT PLAN.

8. CAN CANADIAN AUTHORITIES ACCOMMODATE THIS REQUEST? VANCE

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